

Intergenerational Sunday School

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Why is This Important to Us?

- ◆ Have done a summer program.
- ◆ Feel Sunday School is relational.
- ◆ Have tried an intergenerational VBS with some success.
- ◆ Have had it during summer months with varying degrees of success.

Assets on Which to Build

- ◆ Relationships built will have lasting effects.
- ◆ Different generations have different gifts to offer.
- ◆ Biblically supported Historically grounded.
- ◆ Family oriented.
- ◆ Quality program strengthens family and community.
- ◆ Support for all family members translates into a caring community.
- ◆ *Single parent
- ◆ Singles
- ◆ Lone teens
- ◆ Empty nesters

Other Discussion of Significance

- ◆ Think we ask too little re: commitments for our Sunday School program.
- ◆ Need to equip and train for intergenerational concept.
- ◆ Need to build “family” in church.
- ◆ Recruit men as Sunday School teachers so children and Youth can see that model.

Recommendations

- ◆ Produce quality intergenerational Sunday School materials.
- ◆ Provide training to professional and lay staff.
- ◆ Promote, promote, promote!
- ◆ Website resources.
- ◆ More involvement of men with children and youth.
- ◆ See it as a “stand alone” worthwhile concept, not a plan B one stop gap program.

